liberalised economy of Trinidad & Tobago and a sizeable presence of population of Indian origin offer scope for India to expand its exports to that country. The scope for expansion is limited, however, by the small size of the market and the distance involved. Government facilitates exports through dissemination of rade information.

**Export of flowers**

2367. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will I he Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that flowers of different varieties are exported from our country;

(b) if so, what is the amount earned from such exports during the last three years; and

(c) what are the names of the countries to which such exports were made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUP PLIES CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Amount earned from exports of fresh and dried flowers during the last 3 years has been as under: —

| Year | Val: Rs./Lakhs Valu: |
|---|---|
| 1989-90* . . | 27.30 |
| 1990-91** . . | 260.29 |
| 1991-92†* . . | 683.30 |

* Returns filled by exporters with APEDA.

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(c) Export of flowers has been mainly to Netherlands, USA_ UK, Germany and UAE.

**Foregn exchange earned through exports**

2368. SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH;
SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL:
SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA-

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is earning Huge amount of 'foreign exchange through exports of garments, leather goods, items of stationery and jewellery.

(b) if so, what are the details thereof for the last three years; and

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to encourage those en gaged in this occupation and popu larise Indian Garments, leather goods (including leather garments items of stationery and jewellery in foreign country as well as in India?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCF (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) The value of exports of garments, leather goods, stationery and jewellery during the years 1989.